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Tadayuki SUZUKI et al.

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For:

FRESHNESS-KEEPING AGENT FOR PLANTS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

October 31, 2001

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## REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated July 31, 2001, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 16, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The freshness-keeping agents of Inventive products 1 to 22 and Comparative products 1 to 11 were used and examined in a freshness keeping test on commercial cut flowers [chrysanthemum (form: Beniougi), carnation (form: Juliet) and rose (form: Valerie)]. As the cut flowers, those having most similar growth conditions and freshness conditions with the possibility were selected and their stems were cut with sharp scissors in water to use themselves. The cut flowers were placed in 200 ml of the freshness-keeping agent and

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